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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, and the Office of Inspector General for the Social Security Administration, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

For committing Social Security Fraud on January 23, 2010, Israel Rodriguez-Tadeo was sentenced by the Honorable Lyle E. Strom, Senior United States District Judge, to serve 7 months in prison, which will be followed by a 2 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On January 23, 2010, an undercover cooperator working with SSA-OIG agents in Columbus Ne, purchased three phoney documents for \$300, including a counterfeit SSN card, from a man claiming to be Elmer Arana. On February 18, 2010, the same undercover cooperator working with SSA-OIG agents in Columbus Ne purchased, three more phoney documents from the same man for \$500 in marked money. He was arrested, and agents found his true name to be Israel Rodriguez-Tadeo. During a search incident to arrest, agents located the marked \$500 in the right front pocket of his jeans.

Name of Defendant: Israel Rodriguez-Tadeo

AKA: Elmer Arana

Age: 24

City of Residence: Santiago Oaxaca, Mexico

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Social Security Fraud carries not more than 5 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Columbus Ne
Location of Arrest: Columbus Ne

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: n/a

Others Charged in Same Scheme: n/a

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: January 23, 2010

Federal Arrest Date: February 18, 2010

Date Complaint Issued: February 19, 2010

Indictment Returned Date: March 17, 2010

Initial Appearance Date: February 22, 2010, on complaint; March 22, 2010 on Indictment

Plea Date(s): June 11, 2010

Sentencing Date: September 10, 2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. Thomas Thalken

Held without Bond: Yes

In Continuous Custody Since: February 18, 2010

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Lyle E. Strom

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